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# PLACER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT 2001

TO:

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I am pleased to submit the 2001 Agricultural Crop Production Report for Placer County in compliance with Section 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code. Also included is the Sustainable Agriculture Report in accordance with Section 2272 of the Code.

The 2000 total gross value was \$68,933,500. The total gross value for 2001 is \$75,036,970, representing an increase of \$6,103,470. This report reflects the gross value of agricultural products and not the net income growers receive.

Rice was the leading industry in 2001 with a gross value of \$13,884,800. This is a decrease of \$1.9 million in gross value over 2000, which was largely due to lower production, partly due to higher water prices, and lower crop prices.

Following rice in total value were: cattle and calf operations at \$13,619,800; timber production at \$13,430,300; nursery products with \$12,853,600; and chickens with a gross value of \$7,130,000.

The Placer County Agricultural Commissioner's Office expresses its appreciation for the cooperation of all the growers, organizations and individuals who provided the information necessary for this report, and to Deputy Agricultural Commissioner Jeffrey C. Pylman, who coordinated and compiled this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine E. Turner  
Agricultural Commissioner

### COMPARISON SUMMARY

<u>INDUSTRY</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Fruit & Nut Crops	\$4,718,700	\$2,855,300 *	\$3,689,023	\$2,915,800	\$5,082,700
Field Crops	\$19,538,600	\$20,594,300 *	\$20,462,580	\$17,792,000	\$18,217,000
Vegetable Crops	\$281,100				
Livestock/Poultry	\$21,832,770	\$22,293,900	\$19,822,138	\$14,531,490	\$12,682,000
Livestock/Poultry Products	\$2,031,000	\$1,582,700	\$1,788,938	\$1,983,000	\$2,994,000
Nursery Products	\$12,853,600	\$11,505,400	\$12,090,437	\$10,797,000	\$10,245,000
Apiary Products	\$350,900	\$443,100	\$512,359	\$545,000	\$420,000
 Subtotals	 <u>\$61,606,670</u>	 <u>\$59,274,700</u>	 <u>\$58,365,475</u>	 <u>\$48,564,290</u>	 <u>\$49,640,700</u>
 Gross Timber Harvest	 \$13,430,300	 \$9,658,800	 \$11,829,946	 \$19,628,000	 \$16,381,000
 GRAND TOTALS	 \$75,036,970	 \$68,933,500	 \$70,195,421	 \$68,192,290	 \$66,021,700

\*Revised

#### GROSS TIMBER HARVEST

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Timber	2001	56,891,000	bd. ft.	\$13,430,300
	2000	32,452,000	bd. ft.	\$9,658,800

#### NURSERY PRODUCTS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Nursery Stock,	2001	\$12,853,600
General	2000	\$11,505,400

## FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>BEARING ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>		<u>VALUE</u>	
			<u>PER ACRE</u>	<u>TOTAL TONS</u>	<u>PER TON</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Apples	2001	69.0	4.70	324	\$433	\$140,400
	2000	63.5	4.00	254	\$699	\$177,500
Grapes	2001	40.0	1.50	60	\$1,350	\$81,000
	2000	24.5	1.70	41.6	\$1,150	\$47,800
Oranges, Mandarins	2001	93.0	3.10	288	\$1,900	\$547,800
	2000	93.0	2.70	251	\$1,589	\$398,800
Peaches	2001	115.0	3.50	403	\$990	\$398,500
	2000	123.0	2.00	246	\$1,138	\$279,900
Pears, Bartlett	2001	38.0	3.00	114	\$316	\$36,000
	2000	38.0	2.00	76	\$500	\$38,000
Plums	2001	158.0	1.30	205	\$1,012	\$207,900
	2000	100.0	1.70	170	\$1,090	\$185,300
Walnuts	2001	837.0	2.00	1,674	\$1,100	\$1,841,400
	2000	1091.0	1.40	1,527	\$1,070	\$1,633,900
Miscellaneous Fruits and Nuts*	2001					\$1,465,700
	2000					\$94,100
TOTAL	2001					\$4,718,700
TOTAL	2000					\$2,855,300

\*Miscellaneous Fruits and Nut Crops include apricots, bushberries, cherries, chestnuts, kiwis, olives, pears (other varieties), persimmons, pistachios, prunes, and strawberries.

## FIELD CROPS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>HARVESTED</u> <u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>			<u>VALUE</u>	
			<u>PER</u> <u>ACRE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PER</u> <u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Hay, Grain	2001	1,160	2.00	2,320	Ton	\$88.00	\$204,200
	2000	2,000	2.00	4,000	Ton	\$85.00	\$340,000
Pasture, Irrigated	2001	24,000			Acre	\$110.00	\$2,640,000
	2000	25,000			Acre	\$110.00	\$2,750,000
Pasture, Other	2001	165,000			Acre	\$10.00	\$1,650,000
	2000	171,000			Acre	\$9.00	\$1,539,000
Rice	2001	14,298	3.90	55,762	Ton	\$249.00	\$13,884,800
	2000	15,799	3.68	58,138	Ton	\$271.40	\$15,778,700
Miscellaneous	2001						\$1,159,600
Field Crops*	2000						\$186,600
TOTAL	2001						\$19,538,600
TOTAL	2000						\$20,594,300

\*Miscellaneous Field Crops include clover seed, corn silage, corn for grain, oats for grain, sudangrass, sudan seed, wheat, and hay other than from grain crops.

## LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>			<u>VALUE</u>	
		<u>NO. OF</u> <u>HEAD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>LIVEWEIGHT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PER</u> <u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Cattle and Calves	2001	31,500	173,500	cwt.	\$78.50	\$13,619,800
	2000	31,500	180,000	cwt.	\$76.00	\$13,680,000
Chickens	2001	3,100,000		Head	\$2.30	\$7,130,000
	2000	3,118,300		Head	\$2.29	\$7,140,900
Sheep	2001	7,000	7,910	cwt.	\$67.00	\$529,970
	2000	10,000	11,300	cwt.	\$77.00	\$870,100
Swine	2001	1,000	1,800	cwt.	\$45.00	\$81,000
	2000	1,000	1,880	cwt.	\$44.10	\$82,900
Other Livestock*	2001					\$472,000
	2000					\$520,000
TOTAL	2001					\$21,832,770
TOTAL	2000					\$22,293,900

\*Other Livestock includes game birds, fish, goats, goat milk, rabbits, turkeys, and worms.

### **LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Miscellaneous Livestock	2001	\$2,031,000
and Poultry Products*	2000	\$1,582,700

\*Miscellaneous Livestock and Poultry Products include chicken eggs and market milk.

### **APIARY PRODUCTS**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Apiary Products*	2001	\$350,900
	2000	\$443,100

\*Apiary Products include honey, package bees, queens, pollination, and wax.

### **VEGETABLE CROPS**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
Miscellaneous Vegetable Crops*	2001	\$281,100

\*Miscellaneous Vegetable Crops include eggplants, melons, pumpkins, rhubarb, squash and fresh tomatoes.

## **TOP FIVE CROPS FOR 2001**

<u>CROP</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
1. Rice	\$13,884,800
2. Cattle & Calf Operations	\$13,619,800
3. Timber Production	\$13,430,300
4. Nursery Products	\$12,853,600
5. Chickens	\$7,130,000

## ANNUAL SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE REPORT

### BIOLOGICAL CONTROL MEASURES

<u>Pest</u>	<u>Control Agent</u>	<u>Scope of Program</u>
Ash Whitefly	Parasitic Wasp	Numerous
Grapeleaf Skeletonizer	Parasitic Fly	Numerous
Italian Thistle	Seed Head Weevil	Numerous
Klamath Weed	Beetle	Numerous
Puncture Vine	Seed and Stern Weevil	Numerous
Skeleton Weed	Gall Mite	Numerous
Yellow Star Thistle	Gallfly	Numerous
Yellow Star Thistle	Hairy Weevil	Numerous
Yellow Star Thistle	Seed Head Weevil	Numerous

### PEST EXCLUSION

#### Shipments Inspected for 2001

Shipments Profiled: 35,073      Pest Interceptions: 8\*      Shipments Rejected: 229

\*Includes insects, weeds, and diseases

### DETECTION TRAPPING

<u>Pest</u>	<u>Number of Traps Deployed</u>
Gypsy Moth	135
Japanese Beetle	63
Mediterranean Fruit Fly	152
Melon Fruit Fly	24
Oriental Fruit Fly	25
Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter	477

### REGISTERED ORGANIC FARMS

<u>Crops</u>	<u>Number of Farms</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Various	26	1,185

### CERTIFIED PRODUCERS

Placer County issued 43 Certified Producer's Certificates in 2001.

Placer County is a changing place and the pace of change seems to be getting faster each day. Pressure mounts to develop the remaining acres that have not already been paved over as the population in the County continues to grow. It will take the efforts of every concerned citizen to make a difference in the way Placer County will look and feel over the next five, ten or fifty years. Every day additional acreage is being converted to non-agricultural uses. Are we on an inevitable path to become like San Jose or are we willing to make the tough decisions it will require to help protect the County's remaining farm and ranch lands? What can we each do about preserving the working open space that farm and ranch lands represent?

Get involved! Become a local supporter of agriculture by buying your fresh fruits and vegetables at one of the County's eight Farmers' Markets. Go to one of the many local farms to buy produce directly from the farmer that grew it. Attend land use related meetings to find out what decisions are being made that affects the viability of your local agriculture. Join an agriculturally-related organization and increase your voice in land use decisions. Let your community leaders know that you believe agriculture is an integral part of what makes Placer County the special place it is and you want it preserved. The opportunity to get involved and make a difference is now. Call Christine Turner, Agricultural Commissioner, at (530) 889-7372...let's talk!